

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 608
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Erin Fulks, 2005
Valedictorian of Columbia Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Erin Fulks is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Columbia Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Fulks has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Erin Fulks has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to distinguishing herself as a stellar scholar, Erin Fulks is a valuable member of the Science Club, Junior Civitan Club, Spiritual Emphasis Council, Quill and Scroll Society, Drama Club, National Honor Society, Pep Club, First Farmers and Merchants Bank Advisory Board, and the Mock Trial team; and

WHEREAS, renowned for her affinity for hard work and her tremendous self-discipline, Erin has provided astute and inspired leadership as Treasurer of the Science Club and President of the Junior Civitan Club; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, this exceptional young woman has earned numerous accolades during her high school career, including selection as her school's American Legion Girls State Alternate Delegate in 2004; and

WHEREAS, truly possessing the spirit of the Renaissance, Erin was a "Miss Columbia Academy" nominee; has been a Presidential Scholar at Abilene Christian University; and serves with distinction as Co-Editor-in-Chief of *Raw Print*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Fulks's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at Harding University and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, Ms. Fulks volunteers her time and considerable talents in support of several worthy charitable and civic causes; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Dwayne Fulks, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Erin Fulks's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Erin Fulks, 2005 Columbia Academy Valedictorian, is hereby honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement. We extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.